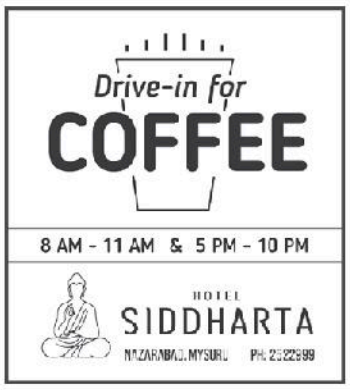

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Vaccination preparedness

Dry Run-2 at eight new locations

Mysuru DC Rohini Sindhuri chairs meeting

Mysuru, Jan.7 (SSV)- Eight new locations in Mysuru District have been selected for tomorrow's second round of vaccine dry run to be held simultaneously across the nation to check preparedness of the Health Department staff to begin the COVID-19 vaccination drive.

The vaccine dry run is billed as 'full dress rehearsal' before the countrywide launch of much-awaited Corona vaccination from Jan. 13 or 14. Already, the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) has finalised two Coronavirus vaccines — *Covaxin,* developed by Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech in collaboration with Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR) and the National Institute of Virology (NIV), and *Covishield,* developed by the University of Oxford and pharmaceutical company AstraZeneca.

The eight health facilities which have been identified for the second round of vaccine dry run are: K.R. Hospital, District Hospital, JSS Hospital, Apollo BGS Hospital, Kumbarakoppal Primary Health Centre (PHC), all in Mysuru city; MCH Hospital in Nanjangud; CHC Muguru in T. Narasipur taluk and Kadakola Primary Health Centre (PHC).

Meanwhile, Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri chaired a meeting this morning to take stock of preparation for tomorrow's dry run-2 in which heads of all Departments participated. She collected information from every Officer on arrangements made for the smooth dry run.

Officials informed that the Health Department was full geared up for vaccination of health workers in first phase on any date fixed by the Government of India. Frontline warriors will be vaccinated in second round followed by citizens above 50 years and those below 50 years but with comorbidity.

(See DRY RUN on page 5)

She's no more...

Leopardess injured in Chamundi Hill hit-and-run case dies at Bannerghatta Rehab Centre

Forest staff Akram seen coordinating with higher officials before moving the injured leopardess to Bannerghatta Rehab Centre on Dec. 28.

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (MTY&KS)- An 11-year-old leopardess, which was seriously injured in a suspected hit-and-run incident atop the fog-covered Chamundi Hill on the morning of Dec. 28 and later shifted to Bannerghatta Rehabilitation Centre in Bengaluru for treatment, succumbed to injuries on Jan. 5 night.

The spinal cord of the feline was broken when the unidentified vehicle had run over it. Residents of the hill, who saw the leopardess groaning in pain after it had dragged itself from the road towards Devikere atop the Hill, was rescued by the Forest Department personnel after tranquillising it in a more than two-hour-long operation.

After being rescued, the leopardess was examined by Veterinarian Dr. D.N. Nagaraju, who noticed that the feline was unable to move its hind legs and shifted it to Bannerghatta Rehabilitation Centre.

(See LEOPARDESS on page 5)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 7th January 2021

BuildTech-2020: National Seminar on "Smart Construction" from tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan. 7 - Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre and Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust, have organised BuildTech-2020, a National Seminar on the topic "Smart Construction with BIM & GIS" Jan.8 and 9 at their MBCT Auditorium, Vishweshwaranagar.

BuildTech-2020 is the 19th edition of BuildTech National Technical Seminar which will enlighten on "Smart Construction with Building Information Modelling and Geographic Information System.

The seminar will be inaugurated by National President of BAI Mu. Mohan at 10 am tomorrow. Chief Engineer of Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Irrigation South Shankare Gowda will be the chief guest. Dr. Amarnath, President of BIM Association, will deliver the keynote address. Introduction of BIM by Bhushan, President, International BIM Association from Malaysia. Creation of digital twin by Architects Naveen and Shaji of Total Environment Management of Projects using 5D in Indian condition by Pranavpareek, a leading BIM consultant from Bombay.

On the second day, introduction to GIS and application of GIS from Macro to Micro level by Mrs. Gargi of Sky Group Bengaluru, an alumnus of IIT Karagpur. Anbu Devaneyan, Regional Head South and Bala, Athirala of Geokno will speak on LIDAR survey, a case study of Mumbai to Ahmedabad rapid rail system detailing using LiDAR, a drone based application of GIS.

V. Srinivasa Rao, Managing Director of BT & BT, will speak on QEnancer lean digital software which supports construction quality 4.0 solutions. Dr. Ramu, Coordinator for GIS at University of Mysore and Shivaramu will speak on application of GIS as a case study of water supply and management of Mumbai city.

BAI Mysore Centre Chairman M. Rathnaraj, Organising Committee Chairman of BuildTech 2020 K.U.Ganapathi, and Secretary V.Gurudatt have requested professionals in the field of Civil Engineering to register for the seminar.

For registration contact BAI Mysore Centre on Mob:+918212483333 or C.S. Srikanth on Mob: 98451-13809.

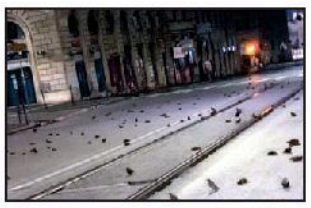
EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

India's uneven return to normalcy crossed an important milestone when some States took tentative steps towards bringing children back to schools. Reopening of classrooms is important signals that while the transmission of COVID-19 may not have ended, the situation has been brought under control. Given the physical distancing norms followed, recovery in services is bound to be slower than other sectors. Therefore, it's important that this segment of the economy gets adequate support from Governments. Railways, for example, has not gone back to providing full services. Full service resumption must happen sooner rather than later, as economic normalisation feeds off the transport system.

The last two months have seen positive economic signals coming through, and the bounce-back from the worst phase of the lockdown has been quicker than what the RBI and independent economists anticipated initially. But we are nowhere close to functioning near potential. That can come only after forced shutdowns end. In that context, this month has provided encouraging signs. Other than developments on vaccines, tentative steps to reopen classrooms are perhaps the most positive sign. Some changes in social and economic activities induced by the response to the pandemic will continue. But the immediate priority should be to quicken opening up without diluting safeguards to minimise risk. *— In The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Birds drop dead during New Year's eve celebration

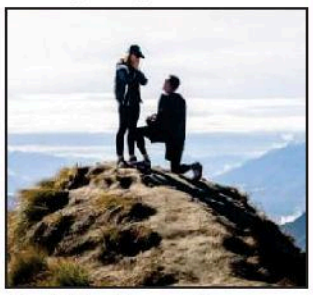


Rome: Photos and videos showing scores of dead birds on the streets of Rome following the recent New Year's Eve celebration have been doing the rounds online, fueling all sorts of conspiracy theories.

Hundreds of dead birds were found lying around the Termini train station, in Rome, Italy, on New Year's Eve, and although the exact cause of this tragedy remains a mystery, animal groups have blamed the traditional fireworks show. The Italian capital had announced a fireworks ban ahead of New Year's Eve, but it was largely ignored. The Italian branch of OIPA (International Animal Protection Organization) has called for a nationwide ban on selling fireworks and firecrackers for personal use, following this sad incident.

Photos of this tragic incident have been making news headlines for the past six days and despite the fireworks being the main "suspect", it is still not know for sure what killed these birds.

Woman survives 650 ft. fall after proposal



Carinthia: A romantic proposal ended in disaster for one couple as the woman fell down a 650-foot cliff moments after saying "yes". According to news reports, the incident occurred shortly after a 27-year-old man proposed to his girlfriend in Carinthia, Austria.

The woman, 32, accepted the proposal just moments before she slipped and plunged off the Falkert mountain on December 27. Miraculously, the unnamed woman survived the 650-foot drop off the cliff - thanks to the snow breaking her fall.

Her partner, who tried to hold on to her, lost his footing and fell 50 ft. He was left gripping a cliff edge. Fortunately, they were both rescued after the woman was found lying motionless by a passerby, who contacted emergency services.

HEALTH CAPSULE

HEALTHY PREGNANCY

Keeping good health will ensure that you have a smooth pregnancy with minimal complications. Walking every day for 20 minutes, doing yoga, stretching your limbs every hour will keep your muscles and joints supple and pain free.

By Dr. Veena K. - Consultant, Obstetrics & Gynecology

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Several decades of studies have shown that saturated fat may be completely harmless. A massive 2010 study reviewed data from 21 studies involving 3,47,747 individuals. Researchers found no association between the consumption of saturated fat and heart disease.

COVID UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	JAN. 5	JAN. 6
Positive Cases	57	22
Total Positive Cases	52,618	52,640
Discharges	34	37
Total Discharges	51,268	51,305
Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	1,017	1,017
Total Active Cases	333	318

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Appointed acting Dist. President

Mysuru, Jan.7- Following the retirement of Karnataka Government Employees Association, Mysuru District Unit President **H.K. Ramu** *(see pic:left)* from Government service, **R. Balakrishna,** who was serving as Hon. President, has taken over as the acting President of the District Unit of the Association on Dec. 31, 2020, according to a press release. For details, members may contact Ph: 0821-2427890.

REALLY...?

- ***The Manhattan Cocktail was invented by Winston Churchill's mother.***
- ***Ants cannot chew their food.***
- ***It's estimated that a common housefly can have as many as half a billion bacteria on its body.***
- ***It is believed that 'canoe' was the first Native American word to be assimilated into English.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *Tell me a way to prevent a disease which is caused by biting insects.*

Student: *Don't get bitten by them !!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.13
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 99.35
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.91
1 Euro	= Rs. 90.12

VOICE OF THE READER

KSRTC student bus pass complications

Sir,

This year, KSRTC student bus pass system is creating a lot of inconvenience to students as well as parents. First, students have to take the print out of the bus pass application.

After filling the application in service portal, we have to upload the same online. Then, we have to take the printout of the uploaded document and take the signature of the Principal.

After this, take the photo of the template and upload it in service portal again.

Then, the predefined template, passport size photo, Aadhaar card, proof of residential address and application form attested by the Head of the educational institution and parents signature must be uploaded in service portal. Finally, the students have to take the printout of the acknowledgment copy with fee to be submitted along with hard copies of the above documents in college.

Why such a complicated procedure?

Every time we have to go to the cyber centre to upload the documents, take printouts costing around Rs.200 and also waste of time. Hope, the KSRTC will discontinue these complicated procedures to save paper, money and time.

—M. Dilliraj
Rajarajeshwarinagar
5.1.2021

Chief Minister vows to complete 'Anubhava Mantapa' in two years

To invite PM Narendra Modi to open

Basavakalyana, Jan. 7 (SSV)- Chief Minister B.S.Yediyurappa laid the foundation stone for 'Anubhava Mantapa', a concept of Parliament propagated by 12th century social reformer, Jagajyothi Basavanna here yesterday.

Speaking on the occasion, the CM said the proposed structure would be completed within two years of time and would invite Prime Minister Narendra Modi for its inauguration in the presence of 3 to 4 lakh people. The total cost of the project was Rs.500 crore of which Rs.100 crore had already been released. Another Rs.100 crore would be released soon and float tender without delay.

"I have given complete responsibility to Basavaraja Patil Sedam to personally monitor the progress of this structure. At the time of laying the foundation stone for Parliament Vista complex in Delhi, PM Modi had mentioned about Basavanna's Anubhava Mantapa, the first Parliament of the World during 12th century," he mentioned.

The concept of Anubhava Mantapa was based on the report submitted by a team of experts led by noted Kannada litterateur Go. Ru. Chennabasappa and the structure would be constructed in Kalyani Chalukya style. Only cement and stone would be used to build the Mantapa. A host of Ministers including Deputy Chief Minister Laxman Savadi and Seers of various Mutts were present.

Salient features

- Total estimated cost - Rs.500 crore
- Area reserved - 25 acres
- Anubhava Mantap to come up on 7.5 acre
- Height of the Mantap - 182 feet
- Total width - 2,884 feet
- Total Pillars - 770

II PUC exam in May, SSLC in June

Bengaluru, Jan. 7- Ending months of anxiety of students preparing for State Board examinations, Primary and Secondary Education Minister S. Suresh Kumar on Wednesday announced that the II PUC exam would begin in the second week of May and SSLC in June.

Speaking to presspersons, Suresh Kumar said the tentative dates would be decided soon after a meeting with officials.

The Department of PU Education had announced a couple of months ago that around 30 percent of syllabus would be cut this year. It was only on Jan.1 that class 10 and II PU classes started after a gap of over nine months. Although online classes began in June-July last year, the Department officials had said that they wanted to conduct contact classes for at least four months before the exams.

Normally the exams were held either in March or April. However, this year, the exams have been deferred to May and June due to loss of academic days and in-ordinate delay in re-opening of schools due to COVID-19. The SSLC and PU Board examinations were also postponed in 2020 due to lockdown.

No cut in syllabus for Classes 1 to 9

Minister Suresh Kumar said that there will not be any cut or revision in the syllabus for classes from 1 to 9. As far as these classes are concerned, it is school level evaluation and there will not be any cut in the syllabus, he clarified.

Three-day Hakki Habba ends today at BRT Sanctuary

Chamarajanagar, Jan. 7 (SS&BCT)- The first State-level three-day Bird Festival (Hakki Habba) that began at the Biligiri Ranganathaswamy Temple (BRT) Wildlife Sanctuary in Chamarajanagar District on Jan. 5, ends today evening.

The area is also a Tiger Protected Zone. Though many State-level Bird Festivals were held at other places in the past, the Forest Department and the Karnataka Eco Tourism Development Board conducted the festival at BRT Sanctuary for the first time.

The festival, in its seventh edition, was an attempt to save the vanishing avian species and to connect people to the rich avian diversity in this less-explored forest habitat. The BRT Sanctuary has more than 274 species of birds and the rich biodiversity of the area supports rich flora and fauna.

Some of the routes covered during the festival include K.Gudi - towards BR Hills, Road to Mosalekere and beyond, Road towards Navodaya School, Kanheri Colony; towards Belatha; Road from Purani Gate to Purani Podu, Road towards Yalandur, Mulkibetta, Doddasampige to Chikkasampige, Chikkasampige to Doddasampige and Krishnankatte and from Boodipadaga- Road towards Raagikalmadu.

Women of Udupi and Kodagu prone to anaemia

Mysuru, Jan.7 (SSV)- Dr. M.R. Udaykumar, Divisional Joint Director, Department of Health and Family Welfare, has said that the anaemic level is little high in Udupi and Kodagu districts in Mysuru Division whereas it was normal in other districts.

He was speaking after inaugurating two-day Divisional-level 'Anaemia Free India' programme for officials of Child Development and Health organised by the Department of Health and Family Welfare here on Tuesday.

Udaykumar said around 1.9 billion people all over the world are anaemic. This would impact on physical strength of people as well as cause slow learning and other health issues. Anaemia hits mainly pregnant and lactating mothers as well as hinders child's physical growth. There was a need to protect children from anaemia, he added.

Prasad, Divisional Deputy Director, Department of Health and Family Welfare, said that the Government of India, in a bid to protect children from anaemia, distribute de-worming capsules twice a year and also give them iron and folic acid tablets to protect them from malnutrition. Health staff had to watch the haemoglobin level in pregnant women especially during 7th month to 9th month and injection is given if the level was less than eight.

K. Padma, Deputy Director, Department of Women and Child Development, regretted that ladies have failed to understand the seriousness of anaemia. They will go to doctor only if they are ill. However, women would not take doctor's suggestion on haemoglobin deficiency. Around 3 percent to 4 percent of pregnant and lactating women suffer from anaemia mainly due to not eating nutritious food and lack of knowledge. Need of the hour was to educate women in this regard in order to save them from anaemia, she added.

Dr. T. Amarnath, DHO, Dr. H.K. Ramachandra, Divisional Joint Deputy Director, Dr. Mahendra from Regional Health and Family Welfare Training Centre, Advisors Dr. Shankarappa and Abid Ahmed, Resource Persons K. Vishwanath and Manoj Sebastian, were present.

NEWS BRIEFS

Old newspapers, magazines disposal

District Central Library, Mysuru and taluk branches coming under its administration across the district will be selling old journals, newspapers and magazines as per the procedure. Interested may obtain application form by paying Rs. 50 from Jan. 8 to Jan. 22 and send the price list. [Ph: 0821-2425875]

Kanakadasa keertana singing

Marking Kanakadasa Jayanti, Brahmibhoota Sri Vasudeva Maharaj Foundation, Mysuru, has organised Kanakadasa keertana singing contest at Namana Kalamantapa, Krishnamurthypuram, in city on Jan. 10 at 4 pm. People of all age groups can participate in the event. Those interested can register their names via WhatsApp on 98450-41050, according to a press release from Foundation Convenor N. Anant Deekshit.

Pratibha Puraskar

J.P. Nagar Sharana Vedike has invited applications from meritorious children of the Vedike members to present Pratibha Puraskar, which will be presented during the inauguration of the newly constructed statue of Akkamahadevi on Akkamahadevi Road in J.P. Nagar on Jan. 23. Those who have secured above 90% marks in SSLC and 2nd PUC (including CBSE) in the academic years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 may apply before Jan. 15. Application with details such as student name, parents name, permanent address/ phone number, marks obtained (percentage), copy of marks card, two photographs and membership details, should be submitted to Sri Shivananda Medicals near Gobbalimara Circle in J.P. Nagar, Mysuru. For details, contact H.V. Chandrashekar on Mob: 99863-83580.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	118.60 ft
Yesterday	118.60 ft
Inflow	1,172 cusecs
Outflow	989 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,271.30 ft
Inflow	371 cusecs
Outflow	250 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,820.59 ft
Inflow	351 cusecs
Outflow	30 cusecs

Hoysala Awards conferred

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (MK&SD)- Hoysala Kannada Sangha, in association with Savigannada Patrika Balaga and Shikaripura Harihareshwara Vedike, had organised Hoysala Award Presentation Ceremony at Ganabharathi Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar recently.

Retired Officer of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) K. Jayaprakash Rao conferred Hoysala Awards on the following achievers from various fields for the year 2019: **Dr. Pradhan Gurudatta, Editors of 'Sudharma' Sanskrit daily K. Sampath Kumar and Jayalakshmi, H.R. Chandravadana Rao, Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, Dr. T.V. Sathyanarayana, U.S. Ramanna, Pragathi Gopalakrishna, Suresh Rigvedi, Vidu. Mithra Naveen, Dr. Mamatha Sathyanarayana and Dr. Mugur Madhu Dikshit.**

Speaking after inaugurating the event, Chairman of D. Devaraja Urs Backward Classes Development Corporation R. Raghu Kautilya lamented over diminishing number of Kannadigas fighting for Kannada causes.

Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji of Melukote Vangipur Nambi Mutt, retired Registrar of Karnataka Nataka Academy A.S. Nagaraj, Agriculture Scientist Dr. Vasanthkumar Thimkapura, President of Hoysala Kannada Sangha Maddikere Gopal, theatre artiste B.M. Ramachandra, President of Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota M. Chandrashekar, Dr. Pushpa Iyengar, Ranganath Mysuru, Prof. S. Ramprasad and others were present.

Mysore University VC releases six books brought out by ORI

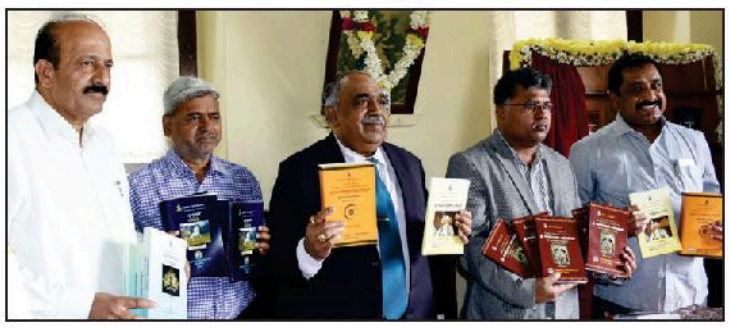
Mysuru, Jan. 7 (RKB&DM)- University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar released six books brought out by Oriental Research Institute (ORI) at a programme jointly organised by ORI and Prasaranga at ORI near Crawford Hall here yesterday.

The books released were — 'Kavijana Kamadhenu Mummadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar' (author - Dr. S. Shivarajappa), 'Siddasidhantha Padhathi' (edited by Dr. C. Parvathi), 'Ashwalakshanam' (edited by Dr. M. Geetha), 'Prof. H. Deveerappa - Baduku Baraha' (author- G.N. Siddalingappa), 'Shree Chamundika Laghunigantu' (edited by S.C. Shobha) and 'Suryachandravamshanucharitham' (edited by Dr. Diddigi Vamshi Krishna).

Speaking after releasing the books, Prof. Hemantha Kumar said that ORI is a research Institute with a collection of very rare palm leaf manuscripts and paper manuscripts.

Pointing out that the ORI was established by the erstwhile Mysuru Maharaja Mummadi Chamaraja Wadiyar in 1924, he said that the ORI now has a collection of more than 70,000 works in Sanskrit and Kannada, with 222 of them under publication by the University's Prasaranga.

Noting that the Prasaranga has so far published over 2,800 works of different languages, he said that the Prasaranga has created a record of sorts at the



University level in the country for its publication of English, Sanskrit and Kannada editions of very rare palm leaf and paper manuscripts.

The authors/ editors of all the six works released today were felicitated on the occasion.

Prasaranga Director Prof. N.M. Talwar presided. ORI Director Dr. S. Shivarajappa, UoM Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa, Syndicate Member Ningarajegowda and others were present.

Book Expo

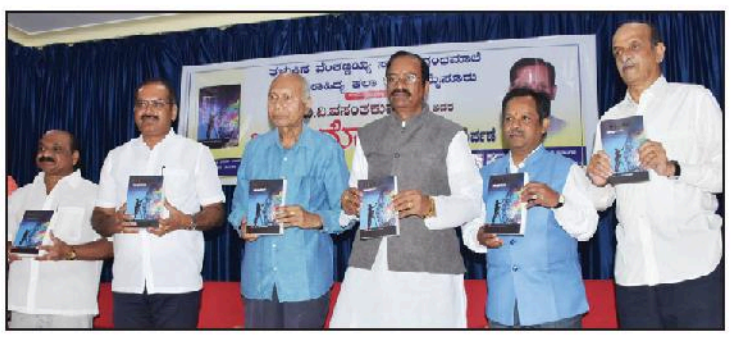
A book expo featuring works brought out by ORI and other reputed publishers was launched on the occasion which will conclude today (Dec. 7). Books are available at a 50 percent discount at the expo.

Literary work penned with love and devotion attracts readers: Former VC

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (MTY&SSV)- Prof. Mallepuram G. Venkatesh, former Vice-Chancellor, Sanskrit University, has opined that it was possible to see 'intuitive vision' of work if the author writes with love and allegiance.

He was speaking after releasing a book 'Aaradigol' written by Dr. B.V. Vasanth Kumar (Chairman of Karnataka Sahitya Academy) at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city on Monday.

Prof. Venkatesh said that writing a book in Kannada was not an easy task as it required in-depth study. Vasanth Kumar was an extraordinary writer and that reflects in his work, thanks to his intensive study of subjects. The author has successfully blended both music and literature in his work.



Hitherto, littérateurs were writing books after detailed study. But, the present day writers do not do it and they think themselves great. Because of this attitude, their works often fail to catch the attention of readers. Any writer, who wishes to make a mark in literary field, must study the subject well before writing, he noted.

Prof. Nandeesh Hanche, Chairman, Kannada Book Authority, said that the work 'Aaradigol' has 630 pages with 62 articles. No small writer can write this huge volume without a deep study. This book was the confluence of 'Bruhaddeshi' of music field and 'Kavirajamarga' of literature. It was indeed an arduous task since both music and literature are totally different and contrast.

Noted littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar (CPK), author Dr. B.V. Vasanth Kumar, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar and Publisher T.S. Chayapathi were present.

Survey of disabled persons to be completed in two months: MCC Addl. Comr.

Felicitation to Rural Rehabilitation Workers marks ninth anniversary of District Disability Rehabilitation Centre

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (RKB&DM)- Stating that the survey launched by the MCC over six months ago for collecting vital data from all physically challenged persons residing in the city will be completed in two months, MCC Additional Commissioner N.M. Shashikumar said that the speciality of the survey is that only disabled persons have been engaged for the conduct of the survey. He was speaking after inaugurating the ninth anniversary of District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC) located on Pulikeshi Road in Tilaknagar here this morning.

Explaining the rationale behind the engagement of physically challenged persons for the conduct of the survey, he said that this has been done to derive the most factual and accurate information and ensure cent percent success of the survey.

Pointing out that nine personnel are involved in the survey process, Shashikumar said that the survey would have been completed by now, but for the outbreak of the deadly COVID-19 pandemic. However, the survey is expected to be complete in two months, he said and added that all the statistics and data collected from the survey will be collated and forwarded to the State Government in the form of a report.

Maintaining that wholly correct facts, figures and other data collected from physically challenged persons will hugely help the Government in evolving the most appropriate programmes for their welfare, he said that the MCC is working on a plan to provide Rs. 6,000 to 10,000 annually as care allowance to the parents of the disabled once the ongoing survey is completed.

Continuing, the MCC Commissioner said that the MCC has come up with an action plan for setting up three Disabled Day Care Centres in the city — one each in the three Assembly segments of KR, NR and Chamaraja.

The centre in KR Assembly segment will come up at the Government School in Jayanagar, the centre in NR Assembly segment at the Government School near Fountain Circle, while the location of the centre in Chamaraja assembly segment is underway.

He further said that those who seek admission to the Day Care Centres will have to bring disability certificate from AIISH (All India Institute of Speech and Hearing).

The AIISH is setting up an exclusive park for the disabled within its premises at Manasagangothri at a cost of Rs. 25 lakh, he added. Shashikumar also announced that the MCC will provide financial assistance to disabled children and youngsters taking part in State/ National/ International level Sports Meets.

Rural Rehabilitation workers from seven taluks of the district — K.M. Mallesh (Nanjangud), Ningaraju (H.D. Kote), Chandrakala (Mysuru), Nagaraju (T. Narasipur), Nagegowda (K.R. Nagar), P.N. Mahadevamurthy (Hunsur) and Pooja (Periyapatna) were felicitated on the occasion.

Earlier, Prof. M. Mahadevappa, Member Secretary of DDRC welcomed the gathering.

India Red Cross Society Mysuru Unit Head Dr. K.T. Gurumurthy, Member T.S. Sudha, Mysuru District Disabled Welfare Association Hon. President S. Sridhar Dikhsit, Corporator R. Rangaswamy, DDRC Nodal Officer Y.R. Arjun and others were present.

Dry Run-2

(Continued from page 1)

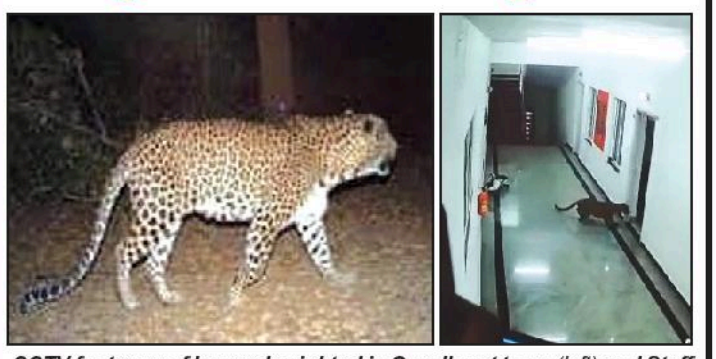
DC Rohini Sindhuri also told the health staff to be cautious during pulse polio immunisation programme to be held on Jan. 17. Health workers and volunteers were strictly told to avoid crowding and maintain social distancing during immunisation of kids. Everyone must wear mask compulsorily on the day of immunisation, she added.

District Health Officer Dr. T. Amarnath, Dr. L. Ravi, Reproductive and Child Health Officer, senior officials of various Departments and representatives from both Government and Private Hospitals attended the meeting.

Meanwhile, Union Health Minister Dr. Harsha Vardhan and Health Ministers of all the States held a virtual meet regarding vaccine distribution across the country today.

In Karnataka, after successful completion of dry run in five districts, Bengaluru (including BBMP), Belagavi, Kalaburagi, Mysuru and Shivamogga, the State has now planned for dry run in all the 30 districts. Each district will select one each of the following vaccination sites for dry run.

Leopards on the prowl



CCTV footages of leopards sighted in Gundlupet town (left) and Staff Quarters of Chamarajanagar Government Medical College (right).

Chamarajanagar/ Mysuru, Jan. 7 (KS)- Frequent sighting of leopards, has shocked the residents of Gundlupet town, while another leopard entered the quarters of the staff of Chamarajanagar Government Medical College yesterday night.

In Mysuru too, a leopard that entered the premises of Advaith JCB Company at Hebbal on October last, has taken away a sleeping dog. All the above incidents have been captured on CCTV cameras.

Gundlupet: The leopard, which was spotted at Doddakere surroundings by cowherds since a few days, was spotted in broad daylight at the Eidgah Maidan in the town. The leopard wandering at Eidgah Maidan on Monday night has been captured on CCTV camera of a nearby hotel and the footage has gone viral on the social media.

A few persons, who spotted the leopard on Tuesday morning too, had informed the same to others and the residents of the town have stopped moving near Kodahalli Circle and Eidgah Maidan. They have demanded the Forest Department authorities to take steps to capture the leopard.

Range Forest Officer (RFO) Dr. Lokesh said that the Department staff have inspected the place and added that a cage would be placed to trap the leopard soon.

Chamarajanagar: A CCTV camera installed at the quarters of Chamarajanagar Government Medical College staff quarters, adjacent to Yedabetta in the outskirts of the city, has last night captured a leopard entering the quarters and trying to flee outside.

A CCTV footage showing a leopard taking away a dog from the premises of Advaith JCB Company at Hebbal in Mysuru.

The staff of the college too have sighted the leopard inside the quarters and the video of it is doing rounds in the social media.

Meanwhile, Medical College Dean Dr. Sanjeev confirmed the presence of the leopard in the quarters besides confirming the CCTV footage as that of the college's staff quarters.

He further said that as the college is located next to Yedabetta, leopards are often spotted in the college campus.

Mysuru: In Mysuru too, CCTV camera installed in the premises of Advaith JCB Company at Hebbal, has captured a leopard stealthily entering the premises and taking away a dog sleeping on the steps of the office on Oct. 9 last year.

The Manager of the company said that about 60 employees work in shifts every day, who are now afraid to move around the company. He further said that there are many companies in the surrounding where hundreds of people work daily and added that a complaint in this regard has been given to the Forest Department authorities.

Don't park vehicles beyond four hours on D.D. Urs Road

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (RK&BCT)- No more vehicle parking beyond four hours on D. Devaraj Urs Road in city.

If the deadline is violated, the vehicle will be wheel-locked and the owner will be fined. This rule will apply to all those who park on the Road including shop owners and employees.

A meeting of traders, locals, customers, senior citizens and the members of Traffic Advisory Committee decided on this rule this afternoon. The meeting was held in the premises of Devaraja Traffic Police Station to discuss about the grievances related to parking of vehicles on Devaraj Urs Road. However, the final decision on when the four-hour rule will be implemented will be taken by City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta.

Injured leopardess dies

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Veterinarian Dr. V. Umashankar of Bannerghatta Rehab Centre, who examined the injured leopardess on Dec. 28 afternoon, got scanning and X-Ray done to the hind portion of the leopardess and found that a few vertebrae in the spinal cord had shattered due to the accident, following which the leopardess was administered intravenous (IV) fluids. But the leopardess, unable to recover, succumbed on Tuesday night, Dr. Umashankar said.

Post-mortem was conducted and the leopardess was cremated at Bannerghatta in the presence of Director Vanashri and other officials, it is learnt.

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Bandipur visitor area spruced up

▶ Pergolas, walkways, artistic arches greet visitors ▶ Senna spectabilis weed wood aesthetically shaped and designed to beautify cottage, dormitory area

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Bandipur Tiger Reserve, known for tigers, leopards and elephants and a host of other wild fauna and flora, is witnessing a surge in tourist footfall these days and on an average 500 to 600 people visit the Park for safaris. The crowd is more during holidays and weekends.

Now tourists have one more reason to visit Bandipur as the cottage and dormitory area (old ticket safari counter) has been beautified and has been given an aesthetic look with Pergolas, wooden walkways and sitting areas to relax and unwind amidst nature. The Forest Martyrs Memorial too sports a new look.

And the Park authorities have not spent money on the beautification. They have used weeds abundantly available in the wild and the Forest Department employees have contributed through "Shram Daan." The beautification works were initiated by former Director of Bandipur Tiger Reserve (Project Tiger) C. Balachandra (now retired) and has been completed by the present Director S.R. Natesha.

Interestingly, Senna spectabilis weed wood has been used to make the wooden structures and not a single piece of other wood has been used. Senna spectabilis is quite abundant in Bandipur Tiger Reserve. The species had initially been introduced to Kerala as an ornamental species — as avenue trees in Wayanad. Over time, the species turned intrusive and has now taken the form of a weed that threatens native tree species.

An adult Senna spectabilis tree grows up to 15 to 20 metres in a short period of time and every year distributes thousands of seeds after gregarious flowering. The thick foliage arrests the growth of other indigenous tree and grass species and causes food shortage for herbivores in the wild.

"We have made use of Senna spectabilis species to beautify the cottage and dormitory area — where the earlier safari point started. Now the safari point has been shifted to Melukamanahalli that is 12 kms towards Mysuru. Moreover, wildlife will not feed on the leaf of the tree as it is not palatable for them," Bandipur Director Natesha told *Star of Mysore*.

The beautified area includes arches made out of dried Senna spectabilis weed stem, stalk and branches amidst green grass. This gives the tourists the much-needed 'amidst nature' feel. Also, ancient idols of Gods and Goddesses, probably discovered inside the forests have been placed at the entrance of the arches. "We want to show the outside world how forest weed has been used to aesthetically transform an open area," Natesha added.

The area near the flag post and old parking lot have been beautified with lawns, dressed stones and painted blocks. A new wall has been constructed by the side and an informative drawing is displayed that shows the evolution of Bandipur Tiger Reserve from 1941 till 2020. The drawing says that in 1941 it was Venugopala Park with just 90 sq.km of forest.

FROM 1973 TO 2020

The area gradually transformed into a Project Tiger Park in 1973, and Project Elephant Park in 1991. Bandipur was declared a National Park in 2001 and in 2007 it was declared as a core critical habitat and in 2010, buffer areas were added and in 2012, it was declared as an eco-sensitive zone. Bandipur Tiger Reserve now is spread across 1020 sq.km area.

The credit for the beautification has to go to the Forest Department employees who cut the wood, twisted and bent them to different desired shapes and sizes, varnished and painted the structures. Pieces were pruned, shaped and then laid on the ground to match the drawings on the paper. Once the structure was ready, railings were laid and the wooden pieces were contrast-painted to enhance the beauty of the place. Dry bamboo poles have been used at many places to give the structure sturdiness.

EXCLUSIVE FOR COTTAGES

But all tourists who come for safaris cannot see this beauty as the safari point is 12 kms away from the old ticket counter. Some tourists who saw the pergolas said that only those tourists who stay in cottages and dormitories have a chance to see these creations. "Hardly 30 to 35 people stay in the cottages here daily. While the Forest Department has to be complemented as they have used freely available Senna spectabilis weed, I think that if the beauty has to reach far and wide, all safari tourists must be taken here to spend some time," said Gururaj, who had come to stay in the cottage.

Attempt to grab MUDA site in Yadavagiri: Two more arrested

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (YDS&DM)- Intensifying the probe in the case pertaining to the attempt to grab a 80'x100' site worth crores of rupees in up-scale Yadavagiri locality of the city by creating fake documents, Lakshmipuram Police have reportedly taken two more persons into custody in connection with the case. The two who have landed in Police net are said to be Akram of Mysuru and Srinivasamurthy of Bengaluru.

H.V. Rajeev

Lakshmipuram Police had registered a case against five persons in connection with the case where five persons were accused of submitting fake documents to grab the 80'x100' site in Yadavagiri (Site No.152). While three of the accused — Mohammad Nayeem, a resident of Ghousianagar, Mubarak Shariff of Rajivnagar and Shahjahan of Udayagiri — were held when they had come to the office of MUDA and State Bank of India (SBI) Advocate Smitha Devaiah seeking legal opinion upon submission of fake documents pertaining to the site, for availing a big sum of Bank loan from SBI.

Two others — Akram and Srinivasmurthy — who had not come to the Advocate's office then, were traced and reportedly held by Police yesterday. Police, who suspect the involvement of a big racket in fake documents creation, are learnt to be quizzing all the five accused.

With the busting of fake document creation racket, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, who addressed a press meet at MUDA office yesterday, said the racket was busted when five persons were caught trying to avail a huge sum of Bank loan after submitting as many as 30 fake documents pertaining to the Yadavagiri site.

Lauding the alertness and shrewdness of MUDA advocate Smitha Devaiah in unearthing of the racket, Rajeev asked all MUDA site allottees who have kept their site vacant for years, to be more cautious. He also suggested such site owners to make frequent visits to their vacant sites and to erect boards that mention their name and phone number.

Regular visits and erection of ownership board will largely help in putting a brake to creation of fake documents by unscrupulous persons who are always on the hunt for grabbing vacant sites, he added. He also appealed the site buyers and sellers to double-check the authenticity of site documents with the Vigilance Cell set up by MUDA for the purpose, before entering into any deals.

MUDA Advocate Smitha Devaiah, who was instrumental in busting of the fake document racket, was felicitated on the occasion.

Form SIT to probe fake document cases

With the unearthing of several fake document cases in MUDA, Karnataka Praja Party (Raithaparva) has urged the Government to constitute a Special Investigation Team (SIT) headed by a District Judge to probe fake site document cases.

In a press release issued yesterday, the Party's Founder-President B. Shivanna said that many fake document cases have come to light in MUDA. Welcoming the MUDA Chairman's repeated appeals to the public asking them to be wary of fake site documents, he wondered why the Government was silent on MUDA fake documents when such cases are frequently coming to light.

Shivanna urged the Government to immediately form a SIT to probe such cases and bring the real culprits to book.

A 'golden' deal that turned rusty!

Kerala man cheated of Rs. 23.50 lakh by 'RBI dealer' who offered to sell gold at cheap rate

Mysuru, Jan. 7 (MK&BCT)- Gullible people falling prey to inter-State attention diversion gangs, who cheat by offering to sell gold at low prices, is quite common and many such incidents have been reported in Mysuru. One more such incident has been reported in city where a man from Kerala was cheated by a conman posing as an 'RBI dealer' who offered to sell the yellow metal at cheap prices.

The conman, Yusuf Ali, cheated Shahanth Aslam, a native of Kerala of Rs. 23.50 lakh and a case has been registered at V.V. Puram Police Station.

Details: Aslam had come to Mysuru from Kerala on Jan. 3 in a car (KL-14-Z-0971) along with his friend Mohammad and Harris. They had booked a lodge near the Sub-Urban Bus Stand. As Mohammad knew Yusuf, he introduced the latter to Aslam and they spoke to each other when they met at Siddarthanagar at 8 pm on the same day.

While speaking to Aslam, Yusuf told him that he could sell gold in cheap prices as he was a dealer from Reserve Bank of India (RBI). Yusuf boasted of top-level connections with the RBI officers and that he got gold at concession rates. Aslam easily fell for the trap and a deal was struck.

As per the deal, Yusuf asked Aslam to come to V.V. Puram the next day (Jan. 4) and told him that the deal could be finalised near the HDFC Bank on Temple Road. Yusuf asked Aslam to meet him near the Bank along with the cash so that the gold can be handed over.

Accordingly, Aslam carried Rs. 23.50 lakh and came near the Bank along with Mohammad and Harris in the hope of laying hands on gold that is more than the money paid.

Yusuf, who had come to the Bank early, met Aslam and gave him some documents and later entered the Bank while Aslam, Mohammad and Harris were waiting outside.

After some time, Yusuf came out of the Bank and told Aslam that he had to enter the cash denominations in the pay-in slip of the Bank. Yusuf took Aslam inside the Bank to enter the denominations and deposit the cash in the cash counter. Aslam obliged and both of them went inside the Bank with the cash bag.

Waiting for an opportune time, Yusuf asked Aslam to give him back the documents that were handed over to him (by Yusuf) before entering the Bank. As the documents were with Mohammad, who was with Harris in the car outside the Bank, an unsuspecting Aslam left the cash bag with Yusuf for him to enter the cash denominations and ventured out of the Bank, making a phone call to Mohammad.

Yusuf sensed the opportunity and fled from the Bank. Aslam returned to the Bank with the documents after some time only to find Yusuf and the cash bag missing. Realising that he has been conned, Aslam lodged a complaint at V.V. Puram Police Station.

Amid flu scare, six Pelicans die in Kokkare Bellur

Viscera of dead birds sent to labs for tests

Bharathinagar (Mandya), Jan.7 (Satish&BCT)- Amidst the prevailing H5N8 or avian influenza (bird flu) scare, mysterious deaths of migratory Spot-Billed Pelican is continuing to haunt Kokkare Bellur on the banks of River Shimsha in Mandya district.

From November — the arrival of Pelicans — till now, over 6 birds have been found dead. Last year, when the bird flu was at its peak in Mysuru district, over 125 Pelicans were found dead at Kokkare Bellur. Latest bird deaths have worried veterinary doctors and Kokkare Bellur villagers alike.

Though the exact reason for the deaths has not been determined, post-mortem has been conducted and viscera of the dead pelicans have been sent to Institute of Animal Health and Veterinary Biologicals, Bengaluru and Indian Veterinary Research Institute at Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh. Samples have also been sent to Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History (SACON) at Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu.

Water samples from the Kokkare Bellur Lake and also from nine other lakes in the sur-

roundings where the birds nest and breed have been collected and tests have revealed that the water is not polluted and fit for birds to consume. The lakes are Gurudevarahallikere, Soolekere, Madarahallikere, Garakahallikere, Maddurkere, Thailurkere, and Koodlurukere, Malurkere and Sullerikere.

Yesterday, Tahsildar Vijayakumar and veterinarians Dr. Satish, Dr. Hanumegowda and Dr. Krishnappa visited Kokkare Bellur and took stock of the situation. Interacting with villagers, the officers told them to report any deaths or even unusual behaviour of the birds including drowsiness. They, however, denied that there was bird flu in the area. It was prudent to wait for the test results before drawing any conclusions, they added.

Villagers, who have a symbiotic relationship with Pelicans and Storks, told the Tahsildar and the doctors that it was heart-rending to see healthy birds dropping dead. Doctors told the villagers that birds do not have a fixed eating practices and sometimes worms in the belly cause deaths. Along with samples of water, samples of food were collected from the nearby areas and ponds to ascertain the cause of death.

Obituary

Krishna

Mysuru, Jan. 7- Krishna (48),

son of Kenchegowda and a resident of Yaraganahalli, passed away in city yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Yaraganahalli Burial Grounds this morning.

Jan Sampark Sabha held at MCC Ward 6

The Jan Sampark Sabha, which was stopped due to COVID-19 pandemic, was held on Sunday after a gap of nine months in MCC Ward No. 6. The public meeting was conducted by Corporator SBM Manju at 8 am at Kannada Kuteera premises, adjacent to Sri Mahaganapati Temple at Brindavan Layout during which the Corporator received complaints from the Ward residents. The Corporator, who summoned MCC Officials to the meeting venue, got many problems solved on the spot

Music Concerts resume at Ganabharathi

Vidu. Anjana *Vidu. Shruthi* *Vid. Sai Shiv* *Vid. Shamith* *Pt. Sameer Rao* *Shrimathi Devi* *Dr. Udayraj Karpur* *Adarsh Shenoy* *Surya Upadhyaya*

Mysuru, Jan. 7- Ganabharati has organised a Karnatak music vocal concert on Jan. 8 at 6 pm by **Vidu. Anjana P. Rao**, accompanied by **Vidu. Shruthi** on violin and Vid. **Sai Shiv Lakshmi Keshav** on mridanga and **Vid. Shamith S. Gowda** on ghata.

The programme is a public performance at Veene Seshanna Bhavan on Adichunchanagiri Road in Kuvempunagar and will also be live on both Ganabharathi Facebook page and YouTube channel.

The above programme is organised in memory of H.S. Ananchachar, Vid. H.S. Yadugiri, M.S. Gopala Iyengar and M.S. Biligirirangachar.

For details, contact Ganabharathi Member A. Radhesh on Mob: 94480-51564.

Gayana Sabha

Gayana Sabha, Mysuru, has resumed the theatre programmes from January 2021, which was suspended due to COVID pandemic.

Pt. Sameer Rao and **Shrimathi Devi** will be presenting flute and vocal recitals respectively at Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Ganabharathi, on Jan. 9 at 5.30 pm.

They will be accompanied by **Dr. Udayraj Karpur** and **Adarsh Shenoy** on tabla and **Surya Upadhyaya** on harmonium.

Piteelu Chowdiah Music Festival

Vidu. Sukanya *Vid. Vinay Sharva* *Vidu. Manasi* *Vid. Vivek* *Vid. Manasa Nayana* *Vidu. Padmavathi* *Vidu. Srilatha* *Vid. Chandan* *Vid. Mysore Nagaraj & Vid. Mysore N. Kartik*

Mysuru, Jan. 7- On the occasion of the 125th Birth Centenary of renowned violinist Mysore T. Chowdiah, Ganabharathi, in collaboration with SPVGMC Trust (Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable Trust) has organised a day-long music festival on Jan. 10. Different artistes will be presenting compositions of T. Chowdiah during the occasion. The schedule is as follows:

10 am: Vidu. Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar will present a vocal recital. Vocal support by Medha Manjunath, violin by Vid. C.N. Tyagarajan and mridanga by Vid. G.S. Ramanujan.

10.45 am: Vid. Vinay Sharva will sing and he will be accompanied on violin by Vid. Krithik Koushik and on mridanga by Vid. Dr. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy.

11.30 am: Vidu. Manasi Prasad will perform accompanied on violin by Vid. Krithik Koushik and on mridanga by Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy.

12.15 pm: Vid. Vivek Sadasivam presents T. Chowdiah's compositions. He will be accompanied on violin by Vid. Krithik Koushik and Vid. Kumaraswamy on mridanga.

Piteelu Chowdiah

2 pm: Vid. Manasa Nayana will perform. He will be accompanied on violin by Pruthvi Bhaskar and on mridanga by Vid. Hanumantharaju.

2.45 pm: Vidu. Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan will present a lecture-demonstration 'Piteelu Chowdiah's contribution to Karnatak Music.'

3.15 pm: Vidu. R.N. Srilatha presents some compositions of T. Chowdiah. She will be accompanied by Dr. Veena Suresh on violin and Mysore A. Radhesh on mridanga.

4 pm: Vid. A. Chandan Kumar, a renowned flautist, great grandson of T. Chowdiah, will render the compositions of Chowdiah. He will be accompanied on violin by Keshav Mohan Kumar and Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga.

6 pm to 8 pm: Vid. Mysore M. Nagaraj and Vid. Mysore N. Kartik will render a violin recital. They will be accompanied on mridanga by Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata.

The event will also be available live in Ganabharathi Facebook page and YouTube channel, according to a press release.

Vocal Concerts, Nadabrahma Award

Pruthvi *Ashwini* *Thyagarajan & Dr. Tharanathan*

Mysuru, Jan. 7- This weekend Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha has organised a music programme by upcoming artistes for Rukmini Ammal and Sri Ramaswamy Iyengar Memorial Concert sponsored by their children on Jan. 9 and presentation of Nadabrahma Award to veterans Padma Shri recipients Rudrapatnam Brothers — R.N. Thyagarajan and Dr. R.N. Tharanathan — on Jan. 10.

Jan. 9 - 6 pm to 7.15 pm: Vocal Concert by Pruthvi Bhaskar; **7.15 pm to 8.30 pm:** Vocal Concert by Ashwini Kolikajje. They will be accompanied by M. Keshava on violin, Pavan Masur on mridanga and R. Srinidhi on ghata.

Jan. 10 - 6 pm: Dr. A.K. Gopalarajan Memorial Nadabrahma Sabha Anniversary. Programme sponsored by fraternity of doctors and well-wishers. Honouring of Rudrapatnam Brothers — R.N. Thyagarajan and Dr. R.N. Tharanathan — with the title Nadabrahma in the name of Gottuvadyam Narayana Iyengar.

The ceremony will be followed by a vocal duet concert by Rudrapatnam Brothers. They will be accompanied by B.K. Raghu on violin, Sanjay Tharanathan on mridanga and V.S. Ramesh on morching.

'Yuva Sangeetha Sambhrama'

Online vocal duet on Saturday

Vidu. Vipanchee *Vidu. Mahatee* *Vid. Keshav Mohankumar* *Vid. Pavan Madhav* *Vid. Shamith*

Mysuru, Jan. 7- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru, will present an online vocal duet by **Vidu. Vipanchee Raghuram** and **Vidu. Mahatee Raghuram** in the next episode of its 'Yuva Sangeetha Sambhrama' series at 5 pm on Jan. 9. It will also be premièred on Sabha's YouTube channel [*https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5duKEUSvk8XXBra6TWQnSA*].

They will be accompanied by promising youth artistes of Mysuru, **Vid. Keshav Mohankumar** on violin, **Vid. Pavan Madhav Masur** on mridanga and **Vid. Shamith S. Gowda** on ghata.

Music lovers are requested to watch the concert by visiting Sabha's YouTube channel at Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, according to a press release from Sabha Hon. Secretary Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

FROM MYSURU RAILWAY STATION

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Bengaluru Arrival	Days of Service	
06518	Mangaluru	KSR Bengaluru	05.50	08.40	Fri, Sun & Tue	Fully reserved
06558	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	06.10	09.15	6 days a week except Sunday	Unreserved
06504	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	06.45	09.35	Daily	Fully reserved
06229	Mysuru	Varanasi	07.20	09.55	Tue & Thu	Fully reserved
02975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.40	12.55	Thu & Sat	Fully reserved
02578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.40	13.20	Friday	Fully reserved
06201	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30	14.00	Daily	Partially unreserved
06315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.50	16.35	Daily	Fully reserved
07307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	13.30	16.30	Daily	Fully reserved
06258	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	13.45	17.00	6 days a week except Sunday	Unreserved
06082	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	14.15	16.10	6 days a week except Wednesday	Shatabdi Express
02786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	15.15	17.55	Daily	Fully reserved
06535	Mysuru	Solapur	15.45	18.30	Daily	Fully reserved
06232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	16.30	18.45	Daily	Fully reserved
06219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	16.55	20.25	Daily	Fully reserved
06236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	18.20	21.05	Daily	Fully reserved
06210	Mysuru	Ajmer	18.35	21.30	Tue & Thu	Fully reserved
06582	Mysuru	Hubballi	19.00	21.55	Daily	Fully reserved
06227	Mysuru	Talguppa	19.30	22.30	Daily	Fully reserved
06022	Mysuru	MGR Chennai Central	21.00	23.45	Daily	Fully reserved

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DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service	
06209	Ajmer	Mysuru	03.30	06.00	Tue & Sun	Fully reserved
06021	MGR Chennai Central	Mysuru	03.55	06.40	Daily	Fully reserved
06228	Talguppa	Mysuru	04.30	07.45	Daily	Fully reserved
06231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	05.55	08.40	Daily	Fully reserved
06581	Hubballi	Mysuru	06.20	09.20	Daily	Fully reserved
02785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	06.45	09.40	Daily	Fully reserved
06235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	07.00	09.55	Daily	Fully reserved
06220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	05.00	08.05	Daily	Fully reserved
06536	Solapur	Mysuru	07.50	11.00	Daily	Fully reserved
06316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	08.45	11.20	Daily	Fully reserved
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	09.20	12.45	6 days a week except Sunday	Unreserved
06081	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.50	13.00	6 days a week except Wednesday	Shatabdi Express
07308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	11.15	13.50	Daily	Fully reserved
02976	Jaipur	Mysuru	13.00	15.45	Wed & Fri	Fully reserved
06202	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
06503	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	18.15	21.05	Daily	Fully reserved
02577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	18.40	21.40	Thursday	Fully reserved
06557	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	19.00	22.10	6 days a week except Sunday	Unreserved
06517	KSR Bengaluru	Mangaluru	20.30	23.05	Wed, Fri & Sun	Fully reserved
06230	Varanasi	Mysuru	23.30	02.15	Mon & Sat	Fully reserved

TOWARDS HUBBALLI AND BACK VIA HASSAN, ARSIKERE, DAVANGERE & HAVERI

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Dharwad Arrival	Days of Service	
07301	Mysuru	Dharwad	22.30	08.05	Daily	Fully reserved
07302	Dharwad	Mysuru	20.50	07.05	Daily	Fully reserved

TOWARDS CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service	
06220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	10.40 (Mys)	12.30	Daily	Fully Reserved
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Mysuru boy passes out as Lieutenant in Indian Army

J. Prashanth

Mysuru, Jan. 7- J. Prashanth of Mysuru has passed out as a Lieutenant of the Indian Army, consequent on his successful completion of one year of training at the prestigious Indian Military Academy (IMA), Dehradun.

A total of 330 Cadets were promoted as Army Officers in the Passing Out Parade, held on Dec. 12, 2020.

Earlier, he was in training for three years from 2016-2019 at the National Defence Academy (NDA), Pune, a premier joint training institution for grooming leaders in the Indian Armed Forces. While undergoing training at the NDA, he also completed his graduation, in Computer Science, from the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi.

Prashanth had a brilliant academic record right from the beginning, having cracked both JEE Main and Advanced. He secured admission to the National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Surathkal. While he was in the first semester at NITK, Surathkal, he joined NDA. He had taken UPSC NDA Exam as II PUC student at Sri Chaitanya PU College, Marathahalli, Bengaluru.

He had his initial schooling in Mysuru, having studied at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB) and Sadvidya High School.

The 22-year-old is the son of M. Jagadeesha, a Railway Employee and Rajalakshmi, a homemaker, residents of Hebbal in city.

NCC Airwing Cadet conferred CM's Commendation Award

CUO K.S. Likhith with Flying Officer P.G. Pushparani, Group Commander of Mysuru Group Col. P.T. Rajiv and Commanding Officer of 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC, Mysuru Wing Commander Sameer Mehra.

Mysuru, Jan. 7- CUO (Cadet Under Officer) K.S. Likhith, a student of Commerce at SBRR Mahajana First Grade College, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, belonging to 4 Kar Air Sqn, NCC, Mysuru of Karnataka-Goa Directorate, has been awarded with Chief Minister's Commendation Award for his remarkable achievement in the NCC Airwing.

He received a medal along with certificate of appreciation.

During his NCC stint, CUO Likhith participated in the All India Vayu Sainik Camp, Advanced Leadership Camp, Special NIC. He was the camp senior leader at CATC conducted by 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC. He participated actively in various activities of the camps like shooting, cultural and literary events.

Electricity bills to be issued between 1st and 16th of every month

Mysuru, Jan. 7- Effective from January 2021, electricity bills to all power consumers coming under V.V. Mohalla, Kuvempunagar, Hootagalli, Ramakrishnanagar, Jayapura and Yelwal Sub-Divisions of CESC (Chamundeshwari Electric Supply Corporation) will be issued between the 1st and 16th of every month. Accordingly, there will be changes in Meter reading dates.

The CESC, in a press release, has appealed all the consumers to co-operate with it. Power consumers can call CESC Helpline 1912 in case of any complaints, power disruption and enquiry. The electricity bills will also be sent through SMS to registered mobile phone numbers of power consumers and power consumers can pay bills online by accessing the link mentioned in the SMS. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2416007 or 2416016.

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 8)

- **Sri Ramadhama, Udayagiri:** Pratishtapane and Brahmakalashotsava related rituals, Brahmakalashabhisheka, **10.15 am.**
- **Suyog Hospital:** Calendar Release by MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad, Suyog Hospital President Dr. S.P. Yoganna presides, former Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Chairman C. Basavegowda and Kannada & Culture Asst. Director H. Channappa chief guests, Suyog Hospital, Ramakrishnanagar, **12 noon.**
- **Department of Chemistry, St. Philomena's College, VTPC, Department of Industries and Commerce, GoK:** Intl. Webinar on 'Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Intellectual Property Rights,' Session III - 'Intellectual Property Rights and Patents' by Prof. N.S. Sreenivasulu, Professor of Law National University of Juridical Sciences (NUJS), Kolkata, **2 pm to 3 pm;** Session IV - 'Recent Advances in the Target based Drug-development in Cancer Biology' by Dr. S. Basappa, Professor, DoS in Organic Chemistry, University of Mysore, **3 pm to 4 pm.** [Mob: 87624-61532 or 0821-4240931].
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru, University of Mysore (UoM) Researchers Association, Dalita Vidyarthi Okkuta, Manasagangothri, Manava Bandhutva Vedike, Mysuru and Parivartana Foundation, Mysuru:** Releasing of Dr. Krishnamurthy Chamaram's 25th book 'Bharata Bhagyavidhata' by KPCC Working President Satish Jarkiholi, UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar presides, Kannada Development Authority Member Dr. Gubbigudu Ramesh speaks about the book, music director Dr. Hamsalekha special invitee, former Gulbarga University VC Prof. S.R. Niranjan chief guest, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, UoM Researchers Association President Maridevaiah, Dalita Vidyarthi Okkuta President Sandesh Managalli and writer Dr. Krishnamurthy Chamaram will be present, Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri, **4 pm.**
- **District Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru, H.V. Rajeev Sneha Balaga, Mysuru, Innovative, Mysuru, Sowmya Prakashana, Mysuru and Tulushivalli Madwabrahmana Souharda Sahakari Niyamita, Mysuru:** Book release — senior writer and Yakshagana exponent G.S. Bhatta's 'Modi Yamba Vismaya' — by Karnataka Sahitya Academy Chairman Dr. B.V. Vasanth Kumar, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and Sri Vishwaprasanna Theertha Sripadangal will grace the occasion, columnist Dr. V. Ranganath speaks about the book, Co-operative and Mysuru District in-Charge Minister S.T. Somashekar presides, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev guest of honour, author G.S. Bhatta, District Sharana Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President M. Chandrashekar and Tulushivalli Madwabrahmana Souharda Sahakari Niyamita Vice-President will be present, Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Bhavan, JSS Hospital premises, M.G. Road, **4 pm.**

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Rajathantra (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm, 4.30 pm
Solo Brathuke So Better (Te)	(S-1)	7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	11.10 am, 4.40 pm
	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Wonder Women - 1984 (E)	(S-2)	1.40 pm
	(S-3)	10.45 am, 4.30 pm
	(S-4)	6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
Act 1978 (K)	(S-2)	7.15 pm
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	(S-4)	9.15 pm
Rajathantra (K)	(S-4)	12.00 noon, 6.05 pm
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	(S-4)	4.15 pm
Ramprasad Ki Tehrvi (H)	(S-1)	4.30 pm
	(S-4)	7.00 pm
Wonder Woman 1984 (E)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 1.30 pm, 4.30 pm, 7.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here. **The other multiplexes and single screen theatres are yet to open.**

Hero Indian Super League 2020-21

FC Goa held to 1-1 draw by 10-man SC East Bengal

Debjit Majumder tries to save an FC Goa shot during a Hero ISL 2020-21 match at Tilak Maidan Stadium in Vasco, Goa, last evening.

Vasco, Jan. 7- FC Goa fought back to secure a 1-1 draw against SC East Bengal in Match 49 of Hero Indian Super League (Hero ISL) 2020-21 at Tilak Maidan Stadium here yesterday.

The Gaurs were sharp in creating their chances but some brave goalkeeping by SC East Bengal custodian Debjit Majumder ensured his side stayed in the game till the final whistle was blown.

AWARDS — Hero of the Match: Bright Enobakhare; **DHL Winning Pass of the Match Award:** Saviour Gama (FC Goa).

WTA to play mostly 'Traditional' schedule until Wimbledon

London, Jan. 7- The Women's Tennis Association (WTA) Tour will follow its usual schedule for most of 2021 despite the Coronavirus pandemic, after organisers on Tuesday announced an updated calendar, which takes the season through to Wimbledon in July.

The Indian Wells tournament, jointly held with the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP), was postponed last month from its usual March date, while the Australian Open was delayed until February 8.

The season started yesterday in Abu Dhabi, before players travel to Australia.

Top-level events, including the Miami Open, Madrid Open and Italian Open, will all go ahead as usual.

"The current schedule reflects a traditional WTA Tour calendar for the majority of the season past mid-March," the WTA said in a statement.

The Tour also said, "alternatives are being assessed" for a new date to hold Indian Wells.

Further updates for the 2021 campaign past Wimbledon will be confirmed in "due course".

Following Abu Dhabi this week, there will be two events in Melbourne in the run-up to the Australian Open.

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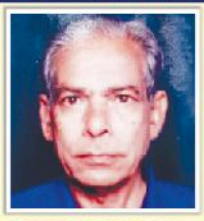

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